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Dear FCC:

We are writing to oppose any attempt to eliminate community access television for TV providers, specifically in the present situation, the telephone companies who want to evade their responsibilities to provide this service (05-311). All politics is local, and communities need local information to participate in a democracy as informed citizens. Communities need local television to even know who is in their community and what their interests and needs are. Particularly in this day and age of computers, televisions, and no neighborhood front porches, communities need a way to connect with their members. Community access television is a key to maintaining participation in local communities.

These are public airways. Please do your duty to retain the public's right to use them and to serve local communities.

Sincerely,

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